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Agenda item: E.1. Co-Chair

Which role are you applying for?:

Co-Chair

Candidate Statement

CYMRAEG: Rydw i wedi bod yn aelod o'r Blaid Werdd am dros flwyddyn erbyn hyn, yn ogystal a cymryd rhan yn y mudiad streic ysgol. O'r dechrau, mae'r Blaid Werdd Ifanc wedi cynnig croeso cynnes i mi. Teimlais fod y BWI yn rhannu fy nheimpladau fod angen dyfodol cyfiawn a cynialadwy. Cafodd fy nheimpladau eu chadarnhau pan es i gonvensiwn y BWI ac i Gynhadledd Hydref y Blaid Werdd pan welais i aelodau y BWI yn dal eu dir wrth iddyn nhw ddweud yn hollol glir fod y brwydyr dros cyfiawnder hinsawdd a'r frwydyr dros cyfiawnder cymdeithasol yn gwbwl anwahanadwy.

Yn fy marn i, mae'r flwyddyn dywethaf wedi bod yn gymysgedd o lawenydd a siom: rydyn ni wedi gweld y cyhoedd Prydeinig yn ymgysylltu gyda'r trychineb hinsawdd yn fwy nag erioed, ond mae'r misoedd dywethaf hefyd wedi rhoi mwyafrif Seneddol i'r Toriaid a mae COVID-19 wedi gohirio COP26 i'r flwyddyn 2021. Mae'r cracder rydyn ni'n temlo yn gryf, a mae'n bosib i ni droi'r teimlad yma mewn i egni i ddiinstrio'r system erchyll yma.

I wneud hyn, mi fydd angen i ni weithio tu fas i San Steffan a'r Senedd - heibio glweidyddiaeth etholiadol. Dim ond ni, y ieuencid ac ein cymrawdion, sydd yn gallu adeiladu byd teg, a fe all y BWI fod yn rhan o'r mudiad yma. Gall ein rhwydwaith o actifyddion merdrus a proffiadol fod yn gatalydd ar gyfer hyfforddi a rhoi sgiliau i fyfyrwyr a phobl ifanc. Hoffwn weld ein rhwydwaith yn ymgyrchu ac adeiladu pŵer yn ein cymunedau ni, fel bod ni'n gallu creu newid nawr.

Fel cyd-gadeirydd i Blaid Werdd Ifanc, byddwn i'n gweithio gyda'r Pwyllgor Uwchradd a'r aelodau i:

- Adeiladu a cryfhau ein rhwydwaith o rŵpiau lleol, rhyddhad a rhanbarthol felly bod ieuencid Cymru a Lloegr yn gallu gweithio yn lleol fel aelodau o'r BWI, yn a ogystal a gweithio gyda grŵpiau llawr gwlad i greu clymblaid o bobl fydd yn newid ein cymdeithas fel ei bod e'n gallu goroesi y canrif nesaf.
- Darparu a hwyluso sesiynau rhannu sgiliau a hyfforddi felly bod ni'n gallu rhannu gwybodaeth ein rhwydwaith.
- Adeiladu ar addysg gwleidyddol y PU dywethaf i radicleiddio a cymell pobl ifanc ac i hyrwyddio gwleidyddiaeth rhyddhad (sydd yn cynnwys diddymiad yr heddlu a carcharoedd yn ogystal a talu ein dyled i'n hen gytreffi).
- Gwneud yn siwr for aelodau enwog y Blaid Werdd a'r arweinwyr yn bihafio mewn ffordd sydd yn sefyll am gyfiawnder hinsawdd, hil a cymuned.

Rydyn ni, pobl ifanc y byd, wedi etifeddu byd sydd yn marw. Mae trachwant a diogi y cyfoethocaf wedi ein melltithio i ganrif o drychineb hinsawdd - ond rydyn ni yn ymlaf dros ein hawl i fyw ac i fod yn



Local Party:
Brent Green Party

hapus. Rydw i'n credu fod rhaid i ni sefyll ysgwydd wrth ysgwydd gyda'n cymrawdion yn Ne y Byd a gyda cymunedau Brodorol i ennill cyfiawnder hinsawdd byd-eang. Mae'n rhy hwyr i ni achub y byd, ond gallwn adeiladu cymuned byd-eang yn llawn parch, cariad, ac undod. Os allwn ni wneud hynny, dwi'n gobeithio allwn ni oroesi y trychineb yma - gyda'n gilydd.

ENGLISH: I have been a member of the Green Party for just over a year now, and have been active in the school strike movement for about the same time. When I first joined the party I was immediately welcomed and made to feel at home by the Young Greens team, who I felt shared my belief in a more just and sustainable future. Visiting last year's Convention and the 2019 Autumn Conference confirmed this for me when I saw YGs standing up to the rest of the party and making it clear that the struggles for social and environmental justice are one and the same.

I think that the past year has been really mixed; we've seen a new height in engagement from the British public with regards to the ongoing climate apocalypse - but this has been coupled with a new Tory majority and the postponement of COP26 to 2021, as well as a total failure to take the immediate action we need. But with this bitterness and disappointment comes a wave of rage and energy that might, just might, be able to topple this bloated and corrupt system.

To do this we need to look beyond Parliament and beyond electoral politics. Only we can build a just world, and the Young Greens can be part of the coming movement that will seek to transform our society for the better. Our network of radical, skilled activists can be a catalyst for training up students and young people, giving them the skills they need to wage campaigns and build power in their communities to start effecting real change.

As co-chair of the Young Greens I would work with the Executive Committee and membership to:

- Build up and strengthen our network of local, liberation and regional groups so that young people from across England and Cymru are able to organise locally as Young Greens, as well as working with grassroots, direct action and campaign groups in order to build a broad coalition of changemakers and a resilient society capable of surviving the oncoming century.
- Provide and facilitate skillshares and trainings so that the collective knowledge of our network can be distributed, allowing for our movement to grow stronger.
- Build on the political education work done by the previous EC to radicalise and motivate more young activists and bring liberation politics (including police and prison abolition and reparations) into the foreground.
- Hold the rest of the Green Party, particularly prominent media figures and the leadership, to account and call them out when they fail to uphold our values of radical social, racial and climate justice.

We, the Youth, have inherited a dying planet. The greed and laziness of the elites has condemned us to a century of climate disaster - but we are fighting back. It is my belief that only by standing shoulder to shoulder with our comrades in the Global South and with Indigenous communities that we can truly achieve global climate justice. We can't save the planet, but we can build a global community founded upon shared values of respect, solidarity and our common humanity that I hope will be able to weather the coming storm.

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CC2 Lily Fitzgibbon

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My name is Lily Fitzgibbon, and I am an 18 year old Climate Activist and Young Green. I have been a member of the Bristol Green party for the past 2 years, as well as a founding member of Bristol Youth Strike 4 Climate and Bristol XR Youth. I am currently taking a gapyear to focus on environmental volunteer work before starting a politics and international relations degree at Bristol University. My main goal for the young greens would be to bring the energy and enthusiasm seen in young protest movements to the ballot box and the political stage.

Protest movements have provided me with the perfect experience to develop leadership, organisational and communication skills, as well as empowering me to create change in my local community, as well as internationally. I have direct experience with chairing meetings and creating agendas, as well as being a spokesperson for green movements I care deeply about. I am comfortable delivering speeches and appearing on live TV to deliver key messages. I represented the UK at the 2019 European Summit of Fridays for Future, which allowed me to develop international connections and build relationships across the movement.

Working together and leading a group of around 30 young people, I have successfully organised an event for over 30,000 people in just 8 days, to be attended by Greta Thunberg. This involved working closely with the police and over 80 stewards to ensure the highest levels of safety, managing sound and stage crew, a team of volunteers while engaging with national and international press (and taking my year 13 exams).

While these protests have allowed for vital local change, including the prevention of the Bristol Airport Expansion, I am most keen to bring the energy seen in the streets over the past year into mainstream politics. The Green Party is and should be the party of the youth, the party of environmental movements like Extinction Rebellion and Youth Strike, yet political dissolutionment has led to Apolitical or Non Partisan movements attracting mass attention. I want to not only bring the energy of these movements to the Young Greens (which I believe their members already posses) but I want to make us a viable, attractive alternative to mainstream political parties for these like minded groups.

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CC3 Rosie Rawle

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Candidate Statement

Our society is facing an unprecedented wave of interconnected crises. From the global pandemic to economic disaster, climate chaos to soaring inequality - the deep flaws in our broken neoliberal economic and political system have been made crystal clear for all to see.

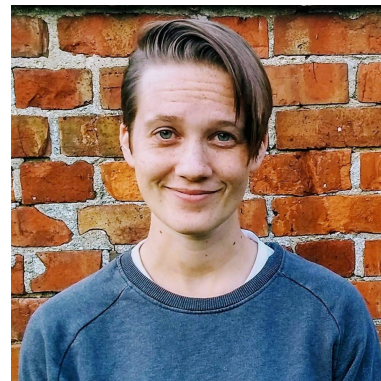
Decades of cuts and privatisation have decimated our public services, removed crucial safety nets, and caused untold damage to our social fabric. Our democratic systems have been rigged, and our trade unions gagged. Even now, with less than ten years to avert catastrophic climate chaos, those in power are adamant on protecting profit, not people, nor planet.

All this requires that we take urgent steps away from the old order and begin building a radically democratic, just and sustainable society. With Boris Johnson and the Tories in power, and Labour's new leadership slinking back to the right, it's vital that we build powerful movements of resistance.

As young people and students, we have a crucial role to play in demanding and forcing a better future. From the school strike movement and the UCU strikes, to the Deliveroo riders and young hospitality workers fighting for fair pay, we've proven our power.

In the Young Greens, we can deliver transformative change as part of these movements, and in building power in our schools, campuses and universities and delivering impact with our campaigns.

- Let's create and grow a Green Students Network. Let's reactivate our Green Students Committee, deliver a powerful new training programme for student groups and societies and let's deliver campaigns that leverage student power and deliver impact on and beyond our campuses
- Let's ramp up our Programme of Political Education. Let's expand our series of online talks and training to include carefully crafted training programmes, build relationships with our guest speakers and like-minded organisations, and ramp up our promotion to reach new and bigger audiences to grow our network.
- Let's get another wave of radical Young Green Councillors elected. In the current crisis, local government and services have shown their true value. We must ensure they're harnessed to deliver progressive change in our communities. Young Green candidates are ready to fight tooth and nail to make this happen, so let's get them into power next May. Coronavirus has meant that we may have to be creative with our methods, but we're ready for that challenge.



Local Party:
Oxfordshire

I'm Rosie and I'm re-standing for Co-Chair of the Young Greens of England and Wales because I think I can make these things happen. In the last year and a half as Co-Chair, I have:

- Co-written and delivered an ambitious General Election Strategy which mobilised more than a hundred Young Greens to campaign in target seats across the country.
- Led on a powerful online Political Education Programme in response to the coronavirus crisis, seeing more than 600 individuals sign up to at least one event, and many continue to return to our other events.
- Played a key role in delivering a newly shaped "30 under 30" programme, focussing on an intensive three day residential programme, and opening up our following training sessions to the wider membership (though these had to be online due to lockdown).

I have been an active organiser in the Young Greens for over seven years now, formerly on the South East Young Greens Committee, as a founder and Co-Chair of the Oxford Young Greens group, and active in the UEA Young Greens while at university.

I also have experience of delivering local face-to-face and mass online campaigns, having worked as a full-time elected officer the Union of UEA Students, a Political Organiser for the People's Assembly Against Austerity, and a Digital Campaigns Manager at Oxfam GB.

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Non-Portfolio Officer



Local Party:
Oxfordshire Green Party

Candidate Statement

I'm seeking election to the Young Greens executive committee (EC) as a non-portfolio officer and if elected I would take on an elections portfolio.

Why do I think EC needs an elections officer this year? Due to Covid-19, the local elections that were due to happen this year will now happen in 2021. The number of campaigns to support is a challenge, but it also presents a huge opportunity to, I think, at least double the number of elected Young Greens we have across England and Wales. In addition to an increased number of local elections it's also important to remember that we'll have other elections to campaign in too. I'm keen to support the Wales Young Greens in delivering a strong campaign in the Welsh Parliament elections and there are also other campaigns, such as mayoral elections, where the Young Greens should play an important role in the party's campaign.

It will be an immense task to deliver the impact that I believe the Young Greens should have in these elections which is why I think the EC should have an officer for the job. As soon as it is safe to do so I want to see the Young Greens start getting our activists involved on the ground in supporting inspiring Young Green candidates, many of whom are already selected. Whilst there are still restrictions on the activities we can do, I'd work on producing a strategy for the 2021 elections in collaboration with regional and local Young Greens groups and I'd contribute to the organising of more online events, which have been a great way to keep members engaged during this time.

I believe I have the experience the committee needs to take the Young Greens into these elections. In 2019, I supported the delivery of the South East Young Greens local election plans which helped elect three Young Green councillors to Brighton and Hove city council. At the same time, in Oxfordshire, I ran my own campaign in which I became the first Green Party councillor to sit on Bicester Town Council. Later in the year I ran the South East Young Greens general election campaign, in collaboration with the current executive committee, which saw us mobilise Young Greens to campaign in the Isle of Wight and Lewes, key campaigns in the South East. Furthermore I've attended campaign school and have a strong knowledge of the party's elections strategy, which I've been involved in implementing locally in Oxfordshire Green Party.

I hope that you'll consider voting for me so that together we can deliver the Young Greens best ever election results in 2021.

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Local Party:
Northamptonshire Green
Party

Candidate Statement

As an officer in the Young Greens, i'm going to bring a new, even more youthful perspective to the party. As someone who grew up in the shambles of Tory Austerity, I know the effects it has on our young people as they grow older, and I can see a bright future. As an under-18, I know that I may not have the most experience, but I can offer a vigour to the executive, to fight for our most marginalised groups, especially as an LGBTQIA+ person myself. It would be a great honour to be elected here, and I know that, as a party, we can achieve great things.

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Local Party:
Three Rivers Green Party

Candidate Statement

I actively recognise the need for, and the importance of, social justice, both to achieve climate justice, but equally to ensure a fair and functioning society for all. The coronavirus crisis, the government's response to it, and recent protest movements have highlighted long standing injustices, including racism, transphobia, homophobia, ableism, sexism, and classism, which continue to plague our politics and our society more broadly.

I am determined that as the Green Party's youth wing we ensure equality and inclusion in our actions and procedures. Further, we must focus on equality and inclusion in our campaigns and policies, to ensure that our movement, and our vision of the future, works for everybody, promotes equality, and is fully representative of the diversity we celebrate and protect.

Personally, I have some experience in this area: having grown up blind, I understand some of the practical and emotional consequences of being actively discriminated against, or having my voice left unheard as a result of people's attitudes towards me due to my disability, as well as the difficulties that I face when inclusion and equality are left as afterthoughts.

I am also a part of the LGBTQ+ community, and share the feelings of fear and anger at the increasing number of attacks on the rights of LGBTQ+ people both here in the UK, and elsewhere around the world, by right-wing governments, and at the worrying precedent which they set for future government action.

But perhaps more importantly, I understand the power of listening. Nobody can single-handedly know how best to support all marginalised groups across our society, but listening, communicating, and then acting on the views and wishes of those groups in solidarity is the best and only way to achieve true justice, alongside an heartfelt belief that everybody has the right to be treated with equality, dignity, and care,

I have experience in promoting these values within a college setting:

- Establishing, and facilitating participation in, campaigns both in the college and in the local community
- Writing and promoting EDI policies to create a fair and inclusive student body, with regular education sessions and discussions
- Working to create and implement projects, policies, and targets to improve the sustainability of the college, and reduce its overall carbon footprint, in the context of the surrounding community. This guaranteed that involvement and resulting benefits are open and accessible to all.
- I have been very active in working with partner colleges, notably in France and elsewhere in the UK, to share best practice in relation to the importance of student voice, equality and diversity, and sustainability in educational establishments. I have been lucky enough to be able to share

some of these ideas with students and staff in these other colleges, and to have learnt from them too.

I have been extremely inspired by the Young Greens 30 under 30 scheme, which taught me so much in terms of factual information, but also in regards to processes and campaigning, allowing me to develop as a Green activist, and in my roles at college. I also believe this reaffirmed my belief in the need for cooperation and teamwork: the experience, expertise, and ideas within a team can develop into truly wonderful things – I hope that, if elected, I can be a part of that team, and further build on the Young Greens' progressive and radical social and environmental policies.

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Candidate Statement

In my half a decade in the Young Greens I have founded a local group, co-chaired a Liberation Group, Co-chaired a Region, and now I am President of a Young Greens University Society. The experiences I have gained across the board have resulted in me having a varied perspective of what the Young Green's is doing right, and what needs to be done to improve when it comes to supporting and coordinating Groups and Societies. In addition to this I have over a decades experience as an activist on a range of issues including Fracking, HS2, Immigration, Religious Freedoms, LGBT+ rights, Republicanism, Nuclear Disarmament, and Anti-Fascism to name a few. I believe that the experiences I have had as an activist in a range of environments and issues mean that I have the expertise to deliver core skills and activist training throughout the year. There is now a power vacuum on the left of British Politics, lets reach out and fill it!



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NPO5 Jane Robb

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Candidate Statement

I'm Jane and I am standing for a Non-Portfolio Officer role, with a view to expanding the relatively new political education 'curriculum' the Young Greens has been developing. I am a teacher of geography and chemistry, and hold a PhD in natural resources - finding out how and why people value the natural environment and how that influences their actions. Combined with my experience as secretary of the London Young Greens (LYGs) committee for the 2019/20 year and a member of the Young Greens 30Under30 cohort for 2020, I believe I have the relevant skills - and enthusiasm(!) - to continue to develop, expand and promote the Young Greens' political education offerings.

In our Winter Gathering last year, the LYGs brought some very interesting panel discussions to the event which focused not just on campaigning, but why we are all part of the Green Party and what we stand for. The feedback we received based on this shift in focus was overwhelmingly positive. Similarly, the Young Greens began their political education with the 30Under30 launch in Birmingham, later bringing it online during lockdown. It was fantastic to see how well received it was, and how useful these discussions were to help us discover where we lay on the Green political spectrum.

Therefore, I feel that the Young Greens should capture this momentum and expand their political education offering to help members get to grips with their own political values and how to use those values to generate action. Now is the time to engage a new wave of young people who are keen to understand how to fight for the environment and social justice, so we need to take advantage of that and help them find their footing. This might be through more tailored political education talks and workshops (online and in-person), continued book club discussions, and may eventually even lead to an even wider programme of skills development for members - similar to 30Under30.

Of course, as Non-Portfolio Officer (as with my previous secretary role), I would not just be available for political education; I am always willing to get stuck in with any project. I had a fantastic time working with the LYGs, so would be honoured to be part of the national Young Greens committee - and hope to count on your vote!

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Candidate Statement

I am applying to be a Young Greens Non-Portfolio Officer because I want to support the youth wing in holding the main party to account, especially on issues such as diversity and equality, as well as to improve the representation of young people in politics.

Too many times, both in politics and in the workplace, I have been the youngest voice in the room and it is my mission to change that. I have been an active member of the Young Greens since participating in the 30 Under 30 scheme in 2018, representing us on both a local and national stage. For example:

- Running in the 2019 general election against Jacob Rees-Mogg, participating in live and pre-recorded TV and radio interviews, dealing with the press, writing literature and competing in hustings and debates.
- Facilitating the workshop "Holding Your Elected Representatives to Account: How to Lobby" at the 2020 Bath and North East Somerset Youth Climate Summit.
- Speaking about my experiences in politics as a guest speaker at a Parliament Project "Young Women in Politics" event (2019).
- Representing the Green Party at the 2019 Bath and North East Somerset Climate Hustings.
- Member of the 2018 Young Greens Media Sub-Committee.

With my career-based experience in marketing, communications and event planning, my Green Party experience lends itself to the role of Campaigns Officer which I would be best suited for as a Non-Portfolio Officer.

I think the Young Green's efforts should be balanced between both internal and external campaigns. Internally, the Young Greens need to be the ones to address privilege within the Green Party, raise awareness of political exclusion and lead systematic change to include those who identify as non-male, LGBTQIA+, People of Colour, disabled, neurodiverse, or low-income. Externally, the Young Green's support for a Green New Deal post-COVID 19 is essential, we should be engaging with institutional bodies such as education, public sector, religious organisations, local politics and third sector about Green opportunities.

Thank you for your consideration, and I will ask you to join me in strengthening the voice of the Young Greens both on a party and on a bi-national level.

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Candidate Statement

The Young Greens has 6,500 Members, But only a small fraction of them are active.

We've made great progress in increasing activity in regions all across England, but these successes shouldn't be overstated.

Progress has been great to see, but the fact remains that we need to future proof our regions. People will graduate university or move to other parts of the country; when this happens it usually leads to leaderless regions with no clear successor and all progress made towards creating well organised and active regions is lost.

So, we need to engage a wider proportion of our membership and make an effort to make the Young Greens more accessible: especially to those at the lower end of the income scale. One way to do this is to embrace digital solutions in our democratic processes and events, though admittedly that comes with its own problems. I've already taken action on this by co-writing and proposing a resolution that would see us implement digital participation by 2022 convention if passed.

In addition, we also need to expand our training schemes. Expanding 30 under 30 would be an obvious solution, but it's important to keep in mind how resource intensive it is; We need to think about alternatives.

In addition to future proofing our regions, we also need more local groups: Especially in the north – We can't have active regions without local groups, and it's up to us to pass down the right knowledge and skills to local and regional leaders.

The more active people we have, the stronger our voice becomes; Whether that's being a strong left voice in the party, fighting for climate and social justice or continuing to unequivocally support trans rights, and that's why I should be your first choice for non-portfolio officer.

I only joined the Green Party in September 2019, but I'm currently Elections officer for Manchester Young Greens and I recently took over as the Convenor of North West Young Greens. I'm also a social media volunteer for LGBTIQ+ Greens and have produced graphics for all the groups I mentioned.

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NPO8 Annabelle Van Dort

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Candidate Statement

As a young person in Britain today, I look to the future with a sense of great uncertainty. The government's handling of the coronavirus pandemic has proven once again how political leaders value profit over people, sacrificing our prospects for a better future in the process. Already burdened by increasing house prices, hazardous austerity measures, high rates of unemployment and government apathy toward the climate crisis; 2020 has been a challenging year for even the most steadfast optimists amongst us.

However, out of the turmoil of the current moment has risen a new generation of passionate activists, who are determined to fight for a fairer future for all. From the School Strikes for Climate to the recent wave of Black Lives Matters protests, the past year has seen thousands of young people take to the streets to hold the government to account for their failures. With COP 22 on the horizon, it is imperative that we in the Young Greens sustain this momentum in our pursuit of a just and sustainable future.

The current system needs a shakeup. A unified collective of young, radical green voices will be part of the solution! Let's stand together and bring a new kind of politics to the mainstream. We can represent a branch of politics which situates climate justice at the forefront of the political agenda, and is committed to confronting the atrocities of our colonial past in order to dismantle the oppressive structures that impede the present.

My name is Annabelle Van Dort and I'm standing for the position of Campaigns Officer within the Young Greens Executive Committee. If elected, I will coordinate national campaigns that will push towards progressive change and amplify Green voices across the political landscape. As a woman of colour, I am especially aware of the lack of diversity within the environmental movement. Through the organisation of various workshops throughout the year and the creation of anti-racist online resources; I will bring attention to marginalised narratives typically excluded within mainstream environmental discourse.

Utilising the campaigning skills I gained as part of the Young Green's 30 under 30 programme, I will continue to build upon the fantastic campaigns already launched by the Young Greens in recent years. Let's keep fighting for a Green New Deal and demand a Green Recovery from the Coronavirus pandemic!

As the current SOAS SU Environmental Officer, I intend to use my SU experience to work closely with the Green Students Committee in the implementation of a Greens Students Network. We are stronger together and I hope to unite Young Greens at universities all over the country! Through this network I hope to support Young Greens in their SU elections and provide a space where Young Greens can collaborate as part of wider student movements.

Whilst Coronavirus has undoubtedly changed the way we interact, I am committed to the development of digital campaign strategy. For many people during lockdown, social media proved to be an



Local Party:
London Young Greens

invaluable tool: we were able to stay informed in an increasingly distant world and feel less alone during a time of isolation. I believe that we can use social media as a powerful instrument for change. Let's produce thought-provoking online campaigns that will connect Green activists all around Britain and attract new supporters to the cause.

Outside of Green Politics, I have worked in charity organising, with particular experience in music fundraising events for charities, such as Survival International, an indigenous rights organisation that fights against the human rights abuses committed under the guise of conservation. I believe one of my key strengths is bringing a creative twist to activism and I am determined to push the boundaries of conventional campaigning through use of artistic mediums.

Thank you very much for reading my statement and I hope you consider voting for me as your next campaigns officer!

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Agenda item: E.2. Non Portfolio Officer

Which role are you applying for?:
Non Portfolio Officer

Candidate Statement

Now more than ever our generation needs to come together to face global challenges collectively.

Climate breakdown, social injustices and Brexit have left many of us feeling frustrated and disconnected from older generations and at times, hopeless.

There is, however, a powerful solution to these problems that we have the ability to enact as young people; **unity**. The power of the youth voice is strongest when it is unified across the world. The Youth Strikes for Climate have been a clear example of this power. While we are a generation that faces huge threats to our future, we are also one in which is more passionate and engaged with solving these threats than any previous generation.

We need to continue to build bridges across nations and strengthen relationships with our Young Green counterparts globally to bring about the radical change needed. I believe I can help contribute to this as part of the Young Greens team.

As your Young Green International Officer I will use my role to focus on the following:

- Build a strong relationship with the Federation of Young European Greens and the Global Young Greens.
- Draw support for local GPEW elections internationally and learn from other Young Green Parties' successes.
- Run workshops and training sessions with other countries' Young Greens to learn from, network with and share campaign ideas with each other.
- Develop a strong relationship with GPeX International Committee, including securing a seat on the committee to strengthen our voice and develop better intergenerational communication in the Green Party.
- Support the Young Greens' mass mobilisation efforts across the country.

I believe I have the experience needed to fulfil this role for the Young Greens and represent our party globally.

This year I have been a European Green Party delegate for the Green Party of England and Wales at the joint annual Council. I learned the ins and outs of the European Green Party and began developing networks with other European Young Greens while helping develop joint policy. I will continue to grow these relationships in order to deliver my campaign promises.



Local Party:
Bristol Green Party

I was also University of Bristol's Green Society President. During the 2019 General Election, I led the student campaign for Carla Denyer, the Green Party candidate in Bristol West. The Young Greens Executive organised and provided a huge amount of help and resources which empowered our society to be more capable of supporting the local party's campaign. I want to help contribute to the Young Greens empowering local groups, like they did for our group in Bristol.

I am currently the Green Party's South West representative on GPRC . I am learning the internal mechanisms of our national party and the importance of representing local views to the national party. I will strive to be a representative for you and your views as part of the Young Greens team.

This year I have taken part in the 30 under 30 Young Greens Training Program. I have gained invaluable skills and knowledge in campaigning and Green Party policies as well as been inspired by the Young Greens Executive Committee and other 30u30 trainees. I have seen the power of young minds coming together and would love to help organise the next round of 30u30 as part of the YG's EC.

Finally, I am currently the UK's Youth Delegate to the Council of Europe, an international institution that has 47 member countries and promotes human rights, democracy and the rule of law across the European Continent. I work alongside many young European delegates, all of whom are passionate about environmental and social justice, and collaborate on international projects together. The opportunity to meet amazing young people from all different cultures has taught me to learn from our differences as well as our common goals.

I believe my experience in working alongside other young greens nationally and internationally, my experience as a representative for Green Party members and my experience in mobilising young people in Bristol make me the right fit for this job.

Thanks for reading and I hope you'll consider voting for me!

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Agenda item: E.3. Green Students Co-Convenor

Which role are you applying for?:
Green Students Committee Co-Convenor



Local Party:
Calderdale

Candidate Statement

I'm standing for Green Students Committee Co-Convenor. The Young Greens currently provides a voice for members under 30. While students are not forgotten in this role, we could do more to create an active Green Party Student Community.

With many young people standing in solidarity with climate strikes and striving away from the political parties that too often let them down, the Green Party is a positive force.

In the role, I would want to engage with NUS as much as possible as well as individual student unions. I would also welcome working alongside other organisation that would help us promote the Green cause.

The three main things I would set out to do in the position are the following actions...

- Support students in setting up individual Green Party Groups within their universities or further education colleges and ensure great contact between university groups and local parties.
- Ensure that university and further education college students are aware of sustainable options in their university or college and if not available in their town/city.
- Promote campaigns on equality and diversity within universities and the wider education setting.

I have an experienced background within higher education, having completed a BA in English Literature with Creative Writing, a Secondary English PGCE, and now completing my MA in English Literature. I am incredibly passionate about the education sector. If we can rejuvenate green voices within our colleges and universities, this will result in the growth of Green student communities. Thus, we will create a more effective platform for the views of not only Green Students but a greater voice for the Wider Young Green community.

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Agenda item: E.3. Green Students Co-Convenor

Which role are you applying for?:

Green Students Campaign Committee Co-convenor

Candidate Statement

The Covid-19 pandemic has further accentuated the sheer ignorance and discontent shown towards students by almost every part of society.

Students were hung out to dry by private renters, left to fend for themselves academically by their universities and were still charged for their summer term as if a global pandemic wasn't taking place.

As part of the Young Greens Student Committee, I want to re-connect our party, as well as society, with the student population. It is high time that the exploitation of students was stopped. During this pandemic, students were nurses in hospitals, students were paramedics in ambulances, students were staff in supermarkets. Despite students playing a major role in helping keep the country afloat, next to no financial, emotional OR academic support was shown by the Government or universities.

Throughout history, university students have been a major player in bringing about political change. Now it's time for us to play our part. I am demanding that the political classes take notice of students and stop neglecting us.

If I were elected, I would make sure campus campaigning was a radical, pioneering process. I want to see university campus campaigning take the lead on political movements such as the climate emergency, protection for renters and racial equality. I believe that we can make university campuses the place where major shifts in attitudes and politics occur.

My vision includes:

- National campaign for ALL universities to divest from fossil fuels
- Increase PoC and LGBTQIA representation on both student and governing bodies
- A mass campaign to get every student signed up to a union
- Potential refunds for loss of quality of teaching due to Covid-19 – making sure every student knows what they're entitled to and what the process for refunds is
- Protection from private renters and youth unemployment through unionisation
- National campaign to improve university sustainability

I am currently Chair of Cheltenham Young Greens, Treasurer of my University's LGBTQIA Society as well as Social Media Officer for my University's Green Team. The range of these roles highlights the scope of the transferable skills I have - such as organisation, communication, initiative and creativity.



Local Party:
Cheltenham

My extensive participation in University societies and student bodies gives me an insight into how student organisations work, what makes an effective student campaign and has given me various contacts in external student organisations.

My University – the University of Gloucestershire – is ranked the most sustainable university in the UK by People and Planet. Attending and being involved in environmental societies at the University of Gloucestershire has given me the crucial knowledge and the perfect model needed to be successful at one of my campaign points of improving the sustainability of UK universities.

The key to all of my points of action is building a solidarity and connection with universities up and down the country. Having a united student voice will enable the student population to make the drastic positive change they want to see on their campuses. If elected, I will work tirelessly to make this unified student voice a reality.

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Agenda item: E.3. Green Students Co-Convenor

Which role are you applying for?:
Green Students Campaign Committee Co-convenor

Candidate Statement

Our Education sector has the potential to provide transformative change for all who enter it but it's facing huge challenges from senior managements and the current Government. The pandemic has destabilised our Higher Education sector and threatened to create an even more marketised system that doesn't put education or students at the heart. This process has already been well underway but the recent weeks have shown that students are being forgotten.

It's time that the Young Greens students defend our right to an education.

We need an education sector that is committed to providing the best education to any who wish to access it. We need to support our international students that are subject to harsh regulatory requirements, to fight alongside our fixed term and casual contract staff that work in uncertain conditions and to stand alongside minority students that are activity discriminated against within our Universities. We need open and accountable institutions that are not run for profit but are there to educate, develop and support anyone who wishes to learn.

To do this I want the Young Green Student Committee to focus on three areas for the next year.

1. Working with individual Students Unions, and students groups, to effect change at their institutions.
2. Working with NUS, UCU and other national education based campaigns such as CoronaContract, PandemicPGRs and UniNotBorders, to support them in their work and to help them create change.
3. Encouraging and supporting Young Greens to engage with their Student Unions and the wider sector to raise our voices to bring the Green vision to the student population.

I've been a Sabbatical Officer at the University of York's Graduate Students' Association since September 2019. Throughout that time I've been working to support students and raise their voices through two periods of Industrial Action and the onset of a global pandemic. I've been working to represent postgraduate students and to make my University one where students can effect change and where students can be bold. I've been re-elected for a second term in my role and I plan to spend the year campaigning for the University to make radical changes to the way it functions and supports students.

I'm well-acquainted with the structures that limit changes within education and I know how to navigate them to effect change. I know how to work with large bodies of students and within Students Unions' to create and influence policy, elections and campaigns. I hope you'll vote for me to be Young Green Student Committee Co-convenor.



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Agenda item: E.4. Structures and Procedures Committee

Which role are you applying for?:

Structures and Procedures Committee member

Candidate Statement

Hi, I'm Ria and am running for a position structural and procedures committee.

I joined the Green Party last year as their policies are the only ones to align with my views. To help uphold and clarify the constitution for the Young Greens would be amazing.

During the past few months, I have got further involved in the party. Currently, I am part of the London Young Greens committee and have been reaching out to university societies as I am passionate about making sure young and diverse people get a voice in politics. Therefore, I am also the External Relations Officer for the Greens of Colour, helping to connect with other organisations. Finally, I have helped with the governance of the LGBTIQ+ Greens, making sure that the policy is inclusive for all. This has helped me to gain experience with being on committee and working with others to solve issues that arise.

I would love to get more involved with democracy-related and constitution-related issues as I find policy super interesting. I am a quick learner and am keen to learn as I go. Through studying research papers in my Psychology degree, I have experience in interpreting and analysing long documents in order to quickly gain a concise understanding of documents, which will be a transferable skill in helping to interpret ruling documents.

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Agenda item: E.4. Structures and Procedures Committee

Which role are you applying for?:
SPC Committee Member

Candidate Statement

I've been a member of SPC for the last two years and want to continue the work I've been doing. I care very much (possibly too much) about democratic procedure.

I'm submitting a lot of amendments to the Constitution and Standing orders this year and hope they're useful in showing my understanding of those documents, and my desire to improve the processes of the Young Greens and make us more democratic and more accessible.

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Agenda item: E.4. Structures and Procedures Committee

Which role are you applying for?:
Structures and Procedures Committee (SPC)
Member



Local Party:
Stratford-on-Avon
District

Candidate Statement

Right now, we need bold, progressive, and strong leadership across all areas of the Young Greens. In these times of uncertainty, we must act in solidarity with all members and our fellow social and environmental justice movements.

As SPC Co-Chair this year, I've advocated for greater member participation in our internal democracy. Executive Committee minutes and reports have been delivered consistently throughout the year, and have been made available on the members' website. Not only this, but I also chaired the Accountability Session and Q&A at the Autumn event, providing our members in Manchester and the rest of the North West a real opportunity to hold our elected Executive Committee to account.

SPC doesn't make political decisions, but we must champion marginalised communities within our structures to ensure that all voices, especially those that are often forgotten, are heard and are listened to.

Recently, I've worked with our fantastic Liberation Group Co-Chairs and Executive Committee members to implement an ambitious programme of Liberation Group Committee elections. This means that for the first time in years we can empower and promote the voices of all members of our Liberation Groups - at a crossroads, we will listen and amplify marginalised voices. To do this, we must ensure that marginalised communities are absolutely supported in our structures, and across the whole organisation.

SPC upholds our Constitution and Standing Orders, but it must also stand up for our members' rights to hold our elected members to account. I'll continue to strengthen our accountability processes and ensure that all of our elected officials can be truly held to account regularly throughout the year.

Working across all Regions of England and Wales, we must deliver campaigns and opportunities across the whole country, and I'll make sure that this happens on a structural level, with real integration in our procedures.

Next year, I'll continue to forge and maintain strong relations with all the other bodies in the Young Greens to make sure our guiding documents are placed at the heart of decision-making.

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